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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this response to the Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 30, 2004. A response to the Office Action was due December 30, 2004. A petition for a three-month extension of time is filed herewith along with the associated fee pursuant §1.17(a).

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